

### Suggested Duration of Therapy for Common Infectious Diseases\*

Site of Infection	Clinical Diagnosis	Duration of Therapy
Blood	Bacteremia <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <i>Staphylococcus aureus</i></li> <li>- Uncomplicated Gram-negative</li> <li>- Complicated Gram-negative</li> <li>- Uncomplicated CoNS catheter-related (with line removal)</li> <li>- All other organisms</li> </ul>	<u>Minimum</u> 14 days from 1 <sup>st</sup> negative culture 7 days 14 days 5-7 days  14 days from 1 <sup>st</sup> negative culture
Heart	Infective endocarditis <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Viridans Group Strep</li> <li>- <i>Enterococcus</i> spp.</li> <li>- <i>Staphylococcus aureus</i></li> </ul>	2-6 weeks 4-6 weeks 6 weeks
Brain	Meningitis <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <i>Neisseria meningitidis</i></li> <li>- <i>Haemophilus influenzae</i></li> <li>- <i>Streptococcus pneumoniae</i></li> <li>- <i>Listeria monocytogenes</i></li> <li>- Gram-negative</li> <li>- HSV or VZV</li> </ul>	7 days 7 days 10 days 21 days 14-21 days 21 days
Bone	Osteomyelitis	6 weeks
Joint	Septic arthritis Gonococcal arthritis Prosthetic joint infection <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Retention</li> <li>- One-step exchange</li> <li>- Two-step exchange</li> <li>- Permanent resection</li> <li>- Amputation</li> </ul>	14 days 7 days  6 weeks (non-Staph), 3-6 months (Staph) 6 weeks (non-Staph), 3 months (Staph) 6 weeks 6 weeks  24 hours if adequate surgical margins
GI	Cholecystitis Acute uncomplicated diverticulitis Acute uncomplicated appendicitis	4-7 days 4-7 days 4-7 days

	Peritonitis <i>Clostridioides difficile</i> infection	4-7 days 10 days
Genitourinary	Asymptomatic bacteriuria Cystitis Pyelonephritis Acute Bacterial Prostatitis Chronic Bacterial Prostatitis	Do not treat ^ 3-5 days 7 days 4 weeks 4-6 weeks
Lung	CAP HAP/VAP Legionella pneumonia PJP pneumonia	5 days 7 days 7 days 21 days
Skin	Cellulitis Purulent SSTI (with I&D) Bite Wound Diabetic Foot Infection (no osteomyelitis) Necrotizing fasciitis Surgical site infection	5 days Outpatient: 5 days, Inpatient: 7 days 7 days Mild or Moderate: 7 days, Severe: 14 days 7 days after last surgical debridement 24 hours after surgical debridement

\*Assuming clinical improvement

^Exceptions: pregnant, renal transplant within past 1 month, undergoing traumatic urologic procedure

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